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Key: a - asked price; b - bid price; n - nominal quotation;

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Table 1. WHEAT: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Kansas City Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
April					
1	18,749	429	838	459	20,475
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	13,132	692	672	378	14,874
5	19,229	1,786	1,350	561	22,926
6	14,917	1,310	1,337	349	17,913
7	13,622	1,283	1,117	368	16,390
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	12,520	1,269	696	330	14,815
12	14,085	1,032	790	426	16,333
13	12,157	836	1,033	367	14,393
14	10,809	668	584	400	12,461
15	12,582	662	580	338	14,162
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	17,699	938	736	284	19,657
19	11,446	822	707	273	13,248
20	12,716	618	1,007	306	14,647
21	12,345	940	846	411	14,542
22	10,526	792	788	244	12,350
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	9,460	733	899	197	11,289
26	10,945	666	1,497	254	13,362
27	13,058	643	917	330	14,948
28	9,418	692	606	391	11,107
29	10,056	706	678	276	11,716
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	259,471	17,517	17,678	6,942	301,608
Mar. 1955	313,292	18,171	20,032	8,276	359,771
Apr. 1954	352,688	30,064	23,663	6,769	413,184

Table 2. WHEAT: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
April					
1	7,463	7,220	2,742	1,324	18,749
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	7,510	3,170	1,353	1,099	13,132
5	10,706	4,970	2,374	1,179	19,229
6	8,676	4,136	1,385	720	14,917
7	7,865	3,737	1,068	952	13,622
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	5,998	4,140	1,338	1,044	12,520
12	6,629	5,033	1,667	756	14,085
13	6,432	4,078	978	669	12,157
14	5,489	3,492	1,178	650	10,809
15	7,519	2,836	1,362	865	12,582
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	8,787	4,204	2,069	2,639	17,699
19	4,324	3,850	1,032	2,240	11,446
20	4,374	4,266	2,317	1,759	12,716
21	5,055	4,482	1,076	1,732	12,345
22	4,147	3,939	1,186	1,254	10,526
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	4,092	3,225	744	1,399	9,460
26	5,669	2,891	1,028	1,357	10,945
27	6,611	3,856	1,013	1,578	13,058
28	3,850	3,296	916	1,356	9,418
29	4,087	3,370	1,058	1,541	10,056
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	125,283	80,191	27,884	26,113	259,471
Mar. 1955	171,898	80,819	25,313	12,602	1/313,292
Apr. 1954	104,223	151,923	48,752	47,790	352,688

1/Includes 22,660 March future.

Table 3. WHEAT: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Kansas City Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1955 April					
1 Saturday	63,588	6,218	9,407	564	79,777
4 Sunday	63,576	6,111	9,434	623	79,744
5	63,612	5,826	9,619	601	79,658
6	64,520	5,506	9,863	580	80,469
7 Holiday	64,650	5,239	9,722	553	80,164
11 Saturday	64,927	5,150	9,714	568	80,359
12 Sunday	64,749	4,951	9,908	580	80,188
13	64,055	4,985	10,013	634	79,687
14	63,345	4,930	10,177	631	79,083
15	63,442	5,149	10,135	640	79,366
18 Saturday	62,042	5,314	10,049	653	78,058
19 Sunday	62,684	5,397	10,135	633	78,849
20	63,303	5,412	10,262	652	79,629
21	63,576	5,446	10,500	591	80,113
22	63,192	5,494	10,423	620	79,729
25 Saturday	63,671	5,453	10,331	625	80,080
26 Sunday	63,905	5,471	10,482	610	80,468
27	63,393	5,476	10,486	596	79,951
28	63,485	5,366	10,575	544	79,970
29 Saturday	63,424	5,310	10,571	590	79,895

Table 4. WHEAT: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	29,399	19,479	8,433	6,277	63,588
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	29,609	19,297	8,408	6,262	63,576
5	28,945	19,493	8,747	6,427	63,612
6	29,244	20,030	8,756	6,490	64,520
7	29,524	20,112	8,753	6,261	64,650
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	29,376	20,261	9,012	6,278	64,927
12	28,740	20,427	9,249	6,333	64,749
13	28,197	20,562	8,999	6,297	64,055
14	27,684	20,453	8,891	6,317	63,345
15	27,402	20,582	9,122	6,336	63,442
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	25,239	20,313	9,368	7,122	62,042
19	24,806	20,686	9,452	7,740	62,684
20	24,463	21,178	9,489	8,173	63,303
21	23,931	21,304	9,519	8,822	63,576
22	23,342	21,345	9,564	8,941	63,192
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	23,021	21,822	9,670	9,158	63,671
26	23,062	21,968	9,628	9,247	63,905
27	22,247	22,078	9,644	9,424	63,393
28	21,520	22,389	9,712	9,864	63,485
29	20,850	22,850	9,697	10,027	63,424
Saturday					

Table 5. WHEAT: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis
Kansas City and Liverpool
April 1955

1955 May future				
Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Kansas City Board of Trade	Liverpool ^{1/}
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1955 April				
1	211 3/4-7/8	242 1/4 a	223 3/4-24	187 1/2 n
Saturday				
Sunday				
4	211 1/2-5/8	240	222 5/8-7/8	186 1/8 n
5	208 1/4-1/2	236 1/2	218 1/2	186 1/4 n
6	208-08 1/8	238 3/8	219-19 1/8	186 1/4 n
7	209 1/4-5/8	241 3/4	220 1/4-3/8	186 1/4 n
Holiday				
Saturday				
Sunday				
11	209 1/4-3/8	240 1/8	220 1/2	186 1/4 n
12	208 1/4-1/2	239 3/8	221 1/4	186 1/4 n
13	208 7/8-09	239 1/2	222-22 3/4	185 7/8 n
14	208 3/8-1/2	239	223 1/8	186 3/4 n
15	208-08 1/8	238 7/8	224-24 1/4	187 3/8 n
Saturday				
Sunday				
18	211-11 1/8	239 7/8	225	188 7/8 n
19	211 1/8-1/4	239 5/8 a	225	191 3/8 n
20	212 1/4-3/8	240 5/8	226 1/2	193 n
21	213 1/4-3/8	240 7/8	227 1/8	192 3/8 n
22	213 1/2-3/4	240 5/8	227 7/8	191 1/4 n
Saturday				
Sunday				
25	213 1/4-1/2	240 3/4-41 1/4	230 3/4-7/8	191 1/8 n
26	211 1/8-1/4	240 1/4	228	191 3/8 n
27	210 1/4-3/8	239 1/2-5/8	227 1/4	190 7/8 n
28	209 5/8-3/4	237 3/8	225 3/4	191 3/8 n
29	211 1/4-3/8	239	226-26 1/8	192 n
Saturday				

^{1/} As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade in cents per bushel converted from shillings and pence per cental.

Table 7. CORN: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	8,821	163	8,984
Saturday			
Sunday			
4	9,235	124	9,359
5	5,738	21	5,759
6	8,264	30	8,294
7	4,429	30	4,459
Holiday			
Saturday			
Sunday			
11	7,344	38	7,382
12	6,805	76	6,881
13	10,298	48	10,346
14	7,826	28	7,854
15	9,692	89	9,781
Saturday			
Sunday			
18	8,521	46	8,567
19	7,548	63	7,611
20	8,024	99	8,123
21	5,473	119	5,592
22	4,182	35	4,217
Saturday			
Sunday			
25	5,368	17	5,385
26	9,716	46	9,762
27	11,092	56	11,148
28	9,797	177	9,974
29	11,651	25	11,676
Saturday			
Total			
Apr. 1955	159,824	1,330	161,154
Mar. 1955	211,781	1,531	213,312
Apr. 1954	181,210	1,327	182,537

Table 8. CORN: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	4,998	2,856	694	273	8,821
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	5,180	2,276	900	879	9,235
5	2,753	2,214	451	320	5,738
6	4,448	2,482	723	611	8,264
7	3,050	1,019	249	111	4,429
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	3,785	2,187	605	767	7,344
12	4,091	1,958	402	354	6,805
13	6,530	2,810	563	395	10,298
14	4,349	2,419	693	365	7,826
15	4,872	3,283	695	842	9,692
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	3,873	2,807	910	931	8,521
19	4,187	2,426	594	341	7,548
20	4,620	2,174	928	302	8,024
21	2,383	2,328	321	441	5,473
22	2,257	1,322	278	325	4,182
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	2,610	1,472	772	514	5,368
26	5,052	3,232	1,034	398	9,716
27	4,664	4,271	1,618	539	11,092
28	4,559	3,885	998	355	9,797
29	5,299	4,270	1,501	581	11,651
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	83,560	51,691	14,929	9,644	159,824
Mar. 1955	111,012	64,672	15,299	8,305	1/211,781
Apr. 1954	78,435	57,827	22,271	22,677	181,210

1/Includes 12,493 March future.

Table 9. CORN: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Other contract markets	Total
1955 April	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1 Saturday	74,681	350	75,031
4 Sunday	74,637	330	74,967
5	74,807	324	75,131
6	74,063	321	74,384
7 Holiday	73,772	315	74,087
Saturday			
Sunday			
11	73,239	309	73,548
12	73,052	312	73,364
13	72,559	315	72,874
14	71,483	310	71,793
15 Saturday	70,854	339	71,193
Sunday			
18	70,668	342	71,010
19	70,564	349	70,913
20	70,140	364	70,504
21	70,263	351	70,614
22 Saturday	70,276	346	70,622
Sunday			
25	70,252	351	70,603
26	70,075	356	70,431
27	69,614	351	69,965
28	69,324	269	69,593
29 Saturday	68,919	268	69,187

Table 10. CORN: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade.
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>April</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	32,813	28,257	9,927	3,684	74,681
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	32,742	27,906	9,968	4,021	74,637
5	32,584	28,166	9,976	4,081	74,807
6	31,976	27,750	10,073	4,264	74,063
7	31,526	27,839	10,111	4,296	73,772
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	30,845	27,589	10,157	4,648	73,239
12	30,296	27,696	10,254	4,806	73,052
13	29,647	27,677	10,330	4,905	72,559
14	28,678	27,644	10,251	4,910	71,483
15	27,923	27,653	10,104	5,174	70,854
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	26,945	28,005	10,217	5,501	70,668
19	26,446	28,194	10,304	5,620	70,564
20	25,612	28,388	10,438	5,702	70,140
21	25,648	28,386	10,396	5,833	70,263
22	25,219	28,556	10,545	5,956	70,276
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	24,408	28,660	10,988	6,196	70,252
26	22,984	29,448	11,444	6,199	70,075
27	20,950	30,117	12,306	6,241	69,614
28	18,465	31,441	13,077	6,341	69,324
29	16,539	31,717	14,179	6,484	68,919
Saturday					

Table 11. CORN: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, April 1955

Date	1955 May future			:	1955 July future			:	1955 September future		
	:High	Low	Closing	:	:High	Low	Closing	:	:High	Low	Closing
1955				:				:			
April 1	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:	:Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:144 1/4	143 1/8	143 1/8-1/4	:	:146 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2-5/8	:	:144 1/8	143 1/8	143 1/8-1/4
Saturday:				:				:			
Sunday				:				:			
4	:144	142 3/8	143 7/8	:	:146 5/8	145	146 1/2-5/8	:	:143 3/4	142 3/8	143 5/8
5	:144 3/8	142 7/8	143-43 1/8	:	:147	145 5/8	145 3/4	:	:144	143	143
6	:143 1/8	142 1/8	142 7/8-43	:	:145 3/4	144 3/4	145 5/8-3/4	:	:143 3/8	142 3/8	143 3/8
7	:143 3/8	142 5/8	143-43 1/8	:	:146	145 3/8	145 5/8-3/4	:	:143 1/2	142 7/8	143 1/4
Holiday :				:				:			
Saturday:				:				:			
Sunday				:				:			
11	:142 1/2	141 3/4	141 7/8-42	:	:145 1/4	144 3/8	144 5/8	:	:143	141 5/8	141 3/4
12	:142 1/2	141 5/8	142 1/4-3/8	:	:145	144 1/8	144 3/4	:	:142 1/4	141 3/4	142-42 1/8
13	:144 7/8	142 3/8	144 3/4-7/8	:	:147	144 3/4	146 3/4-7/8	:	:144	141 3/4	143 3/4-44
14	:145 1/8	144 1/8	144 3/8-1/2	:	:147 1/3	146 3/8	146 3/8-1/2	:	:144 1/4	143 1/4	143 3/8
15	:146 1/8	143 3/4	145 1/4-3/8	:	:148	145 7/8	147 3/8-1/2	:	:144 7/8	143	144 3/8
Saturday :				:				:			
Sunday				:				:			
18	:146 5/8	145 3/8	146 1/4-3/8	:	:148 1/2	147 1/2	148 1/4-3/8	:	:145 1/4	144 1/4	145 1/4
19	:146 5/8	145 1/4	145 5/8-1/2	:	:148 7/8	147 3/8	147 5/8	:	:145 1/2	144 3/8	144 3/8
20	:146	144 1/2	145 3/4-7/8	:	:148	146 3/4	148	:	:144 3/4	143 5/8	144 5/8-3/4
21	:146 1/2	145 1/2	145 7/8-46	:	:148 5/8	147 3/4	148-48 1/8	:	:145 1/4	144 1/2	144 3/4
22	:145 5/8	145	145 1/4-3/8	:	:147 7/8	147 1/4	147 5/8-3/4	:	:144 5/8	144 1/4	144 1/2
Saturday :				:				:			
Sunday				:				:			
25	:145 1/8	144 1/2	144 7/8-45	:	:147 3/8	146 3/4	147 1/4-3/8	:	:144 3/8	143 3/4	144 1/4
26	:145 1/8	143 5/8	143 7/8-44	:	:147 5/8	146 3/8	146 1/2-5/8	:	:144 5/8	143 1/2	143 3/4
27	:143 3/4	142 3/4	143 3/8-1/2	:	:146 3/8	145 1/2	146	:	:143 5/8	143 1/8	143 1/2
28	:143 1/2	143	143 3/8-1/2	:	:146 1/4	145 5/8	145 7/8-46	:	:143 7/8	143 1/4	143 7/8
29	:143 7/8	143 1/4	143 3/8-5/8	:	:146 3/4	146	146 3/8-1/2	:	:144 3/8	143 7/8	144 1/8
Saturday				:				:			

Table 12. OATS: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	1,648	89	5	1,742
Saturday				
Sunday				
4	1,327	131	---	1,458
5	1,377	116	---	1,493
6	3,006	63	---	3,069
7	1,239	53	10	1,302
Holiday				
Saturday				
Sunday				
11	2,711	133	2	2,846
12	1,532	48	---	1,580
13	4,257	187	5	4,449
14	3,739	100	---	3,839
15	2,378	55	---	2,433
Saturday				
Sunday				
18	3,128	107	---	3,235
19	2,769	63	5	2,837
20	2,093	87	4	2,184
21	4,615	142	9	4,766
22	1,942	114	5	2,061
Saturday				
Sunday				
25	2,043	132	1	2,176
26	2,024	56	---	2,080
27	2,646	210	3	2,859
28	2,319	236	37	2,592
29	2,631	192	2	2,825
Saturday				
Total				
Apr. 1955	49,424	2,314	88	51,826
Mar. 1955	52,990	3,014	158	56,162
Apr. 1954	67,160	5,362	175	72,697

Table 13. OATS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
April					
1	618	614	250	166	1,648
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	626	500	152	49	1,327
5	752	441	127	57	1,377
6	1,155	1,352	284	215	3,006
7	550	393	239	57	1,239
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	1,097	658	397	559	2,711
12	835	371	129	197	1,532
13	2,296	1,312	385	264	4,257
14	1,503	1,303	550	383	3,739
15	833	876	542	127	2,378
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	1,093	969	602	464	3,128
19	1,489	711	259	310	2,769
20	707	753	312	321	2,093
21	1,905	1,981	293	436	4,615
22	676	650	305	311	1,942
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	739	848	268	188	2,043
26	653	770	306	295	2,024
27	1,070	632	509	435	2,646
28	1,023	625	363	308	2,319
29	1,314	762	207	348	2,631
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	20,934	16,521	6,479	5,490	49,424
Mar. 1955	28,870	11,020	4,462	1,465	1/52,990
Apr. 1954	36,125	18,300	9,309	3,426	67,160

1/Includes 7,173 March future.

Table 14. OATS: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955 April	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1 Saturday	17,710	1,032	67	18,809
4 Sunday	17,935	1,008	67	19,010
5	17,797	982	67	18,846
6	18,068	993	67	19,128
7 Holiday	18,157	995	57	19,209
11 Saturday	18,459	978	56	19,493
12 Sunday	18,444	987	56	19,487
13	18,035	926	52	19,013
14	18,016	877	52	18,945
15	18,182	862	52	19,096
18 Saturday	18,458	786	52	19,296
19 Sunday	18,473	774	57	19,304
20	18,382	778	59	19,219
21	17,662	733	58	18,453
22	17,496	754	63	18,313
25 Saturday	17,902	734	62	18,698
26 Sunday	18,117	705	62	18,884
27	18,514	630	63	19,207
28	18,710	596	78	19,384
29 Saturday	18,597	545	76	19,218

Table 15. OATS: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955 April	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	9,283	5,627	2,095	705	17,710
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	9,363	5,785	2,085	702	17,935
5	9,241	5,777	2,045	734	17,797
6	9,212	5,944	2,096	816	18,068
7	9,184	6,012	2,115	846	18,157
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	9,202	6,030	2,083	1,144	18,459
12	9,144	6,011	2,058	1,231	18,444
13	8,629	6,045	2,068	1,293	18,035
14	8,628	5,894	2,244	1,250	18,016
15	8,499	5,931	2,467	1,285	18,182
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	8,315	6,072	2,586	1,485	18,458
19	7,979	6,275	2,533	1,686	18,473
20	7,938	6,186	2,585	1,673	18,382
21	7,227	6,248	2,544	1,643	17,662
22	6,983	6,202	2,524	1,787	17,496
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	6,916	6,500	2,638	1,848	17,902
26	6,738	6,631	2,715	2,033	18,117
27	6,570	6,819	2,957	2,168	18,514
28	6,397	6,949	3,123	2,241	18,710
29	6,164	6,914	3,180	2,339	18,597
Saturday					

Table 16. OATS: Daily closing prices, Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg; and rate of exchange, Canadian Currency
April 1955

1955 May future				
Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Winnipeg Grain Exchange	Exchange Rate 1/ Canadian Currency 2/
1955 April	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	70 1/4	66 3/4	81 1/8 b	101.7812
Saturday				
Sunday				
4	70 3/8-1/2	66 1/4	80 1/8	101.7656
5	69 7/8 b	66	79 3/8	101.6986
6	69 7/8-70	66	79 7/8	101.6015
7	70 1/4 a	65 3/4 b	80 1/4	101.5677
Holiday				
Saturday				
Sunday				
11	70 3/4	66 1/2	80 1/8	101.5625
12	70 3/4-7/8	66 1/2	79 5/8	101.5104
13	72 7/8-73	68 5/8	80 3/8	101.2968
14	71 7/8-72	68 1/8	81 1/8	101.2857
15	71 7/8-72	68 1/8 a	81 1/2 b	101.2968
Saturday				
Sunday				
18	72 3/4-7/8	68 1/2	81 3/8	101.3593
19	73-73 1/8	69 1/4	82 1/8	101.4598
20	73 3/4	69 5/8 b	82 5/8	101.4107
21	74 1/4-3/8	70 3/8 a	83 1/8	101.4129
22	73 7/8	69	82 1/8	101.2991
Saturday				
Sunday				
25	73 3/4-7/8	68 1/8 a	82	101.2075
26	73 3/4-7/8	66 7/8 b	82 3/8	101.1666
27	73 1/2	65 1/2	82 1/2	101.0669
28	72 7/8-73	65	82 1/4	101.0892
29	72-72 1/8	65 3/8	82 5/8	101.1041
Saturday				

1/ As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade and converted to American currency at rates shown.

2/ Based on noon buying rates in New York certified for customs purposes by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Table 18. RYE: Volume of trading, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	2,516	16	3	2,535
Saturday				
Sunday				
4	2,919	6	4	2,929
5	1,773	10	10	1,793
6	1,881	---	9	1,890
7	1,201	2	14	1,217
Holiday				
Saturday				
Sunday				
11	4,147	7	42	4,196
12	2,306	2	14	2,322
13	1,808	---	8	1,816
14	2,018	10	7	2,035
15	1,672	1	5	1,678
Saturday				
Sunday				
18	2,433	1	12	2,446
19	2,500	15	14	2,529
20	2,334	1	5	2,340
21	2,056	12	20	2,088
22	1,906	---	9	1,915
Saturday				
Sunday				
25	1,873	16	10	1,899
26	1,639	2	21	1,662
27	2,465	26	17	2,508
28	4,508	11	17	4,536
29	3,143	4	15	3,162
Saturday				
Total				
Apr. 1955	47,098	142	256	47,496
Mar. 1955	67,964	176	416	68,556
Apr. 1954	52,669	1,688	463	54,820

Table 19. RYE: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955 April	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
1	1,024	880	467	145	2,516
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	1,148	880	767	124	2,919
5	874	599	186	114	1,773
6	798	601	331	151	1,881
7	709	257	148	87	1,201
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	2,001	1,158	728	260	4,147
12	955	713	468	170	2,306
13	677	608	304	219	1,808
14	652	770	375	221	2,018
15	635	576	242	219	1,672
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	1,023	817	325	268	2,433
19	1,101	837	342	220	2,500
20	797	1,010	286	241	2,334
21	821	668	331	236	2,056
22	589	601	475	241	1,906
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	685	634	271	283	1,873
26	680	527	304	128	1,639
27	1,050	874	400	141	2,465
28	1,828	1,380	822	478	4,508
29	1,398	1,043	409	293	3,143
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	19,445	15,433	7,981	4,239	47,098
Mar. 1955	37,320	16,911	7,484	1,335	1/67,964
Apr. 1954	21,075	18,674	8,950	3,970	52,669

1/Includes 4,914 March future.

Table 20. RYE: Open contracts, all futures combined, by markets
April 1955

Date	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Other contract markets	Total
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	16,299	113	88	16,500
Saturday				
Sunday				
4	16,679	115	88	16,882
5	16,665	109	87	16,861
6	16,416	109	82	16,607
7	16,378	107	77	16,562
Holiday				
Saturday				
Sunday				
11	16,254	107	64	16,425
12	16,211	106	66	16,383
13	16,085	106	68	16,259
14	16,086	100	69	16,255
15	16,090	101	71	16,262
Saturday				
Sunday				
18	16,089	100	78	16,267
19	16,137	100	81	16,318
20	16,033	99	80	16,212
21	16,147	93	78	16,318
22	16,114	93	77	16,284
Saturday				
Sunday				
25	16,075	87	78	16,240
26	15,986	85	72	16,143
27	15,660	74	71	15,805
28	15,493	74	74	15,641
29	15,048	75	74	15,197
Saturday				

Table 21. RYE: Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future				All futures
	May	July	September	December	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	9,798	3,728	2,144	629	16,299
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	9,777	3,912	2,309	681	16,679
5	9,730	3,979	2,288	668	16,665
6	9,527	3,888	2,289	712	16,416
7	9,479	3,862	2,268	769	16,378
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	9,165	3,859	2,420	810	16,254
12	9,070	3,855	2,462	824	16,211
13	8,968	3,871	2,395	851	16,085
14	8,957	3,927	2,301	901	16,086
15	8,788	4,048	2,303	951	16,090
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	8,649	4,038	2,283	1,119	16,089
19	8,323	4,256	2,374	1,184	16,137
20	8,005	4,369	2,396	1,263	16,033
21	7,913	4,483	2,408	1,343	16,147
22	7,778	4,536	2,454	1,346	16,114
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	7,624	4,513	2,502	1,436	16,075
26	7,309	4,621	2,627	1,429	15,986
27	6,752	4,645	2,781	1,482	15,660
28	5,998	4,984	3,066	1,445	15,493
29	5,161	5,256	3,208	1,423	15,048
Saturday					

Table 22. RYE: Daily closing prices, at Chicago, Minneapolis and Winnipeg
April 1955

Date	1955 May future		
	Chicago Board of Trade	Minneapolis Grain Exchange	Winnipeg Grain Exchange ^{1/}
1955 April	Cents	Cents	Cents
1	100 1/4	120	106 1/4
Saturday			
Sunday			
4	101 3/8-3/4	120 n	103 1/4
5	100 3/4-01	120	102 1/2
6	100 1/2-3/4	120 n	103 1/8
7	100 3/4-01	120 n	102 7/8
Holiday			
Saturday			
Sunday			
11	97-97 1/4	117	100 3/4
12	96 3/4-97	116 1/2 a	100 1/2
13	97 1/4-1/2	115 1/2 a	101 3/8 b
14	97	114	101 3/8
15	97 1/2	114 n	102
Saturday			
Sunday			
18	99 3/4	117 b	102 7/8 b
19	100 1/4-1/2	117 n	103 5/8
20	101 1/4-1/2	118 b	104 3/4
21	102-02 1/4	118 1/2 b	103 1/4
22	100 1/2-3/4	118 1/2 n	101 1/8
Saturday			
Sunday			
25	99 3/4-100	118 1/2	99
26	99 1/2	117 1/2 a	99 1/4 b
27	99 1/2-3/4	116	100 1/2
28	97 1/2-3/4	112	99 1/8 b
29	97 3/4-98	112 n	100 3/4
Saturday			

^{1/} As reported by the Chicago Board of Trade and converted to American currency at rates shown in Table 16.

Table 24. GRAIN SORGHUMS: Volume of trading, open contracts, all futures and daily closing prices of 1955 May future, Kansas City Board of Trade April 1955

Date	Volume of trading		Open contracts		1955 May future
	May	July	May	July	Closing prices
	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	Cents
1955 April					
1	---	---	15,120	7,280	234 n
Saturday					
Sunday					
4	---	---	15,120	7,280	234 n
5	560	---	14,560	7,280	234
6	---	---	14,560	7,280	234 n
7	560	---	14,280	7,280	234 n
Holiday					
Saturday					
Sunday					
11	---	---	14,280	7,280	234 n
12	---	---	14,280	7,280	234 b
13	560	---	13,720	7,280	235
14	280	---	13,440	7,280	235
15	2,240	---	11,200	7,280	236
Saturday					
Sunday					
18	---	---	11,200	7,280	236 n
19	280	---	11,200	7,280	237
20	3,640	1,400	9,240	7,280	240
21	560	---	8,680	7,280	241 1/2
22	2,520	---	6,160	7,280	242 1/2
Saturday					
Sunday					
25	---	---	6,160	7,280	242 1/2 n
26	1,400	---	5,040	7,280	244
27	---	---	5,040	7,280	244 n
28	---	---	5,040	7,280	244 n
29	2,520	---	3,360	7,280	244
Saturday					
Total					
Apr. 1955	15,120	1,400			
Mar. 1955	7,560	---			
Apr. 1954	---	---			

Table 25. SOYBEANS: Volume of trading, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	May	July	September	November	January	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
April	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels	bushels
1	6,834	4,559	1,329	1,630	250	14,602
Saturday						
Sunday						
4	7,092	4,206	1,293	1,619	270	14,480
5	6,982	4,122	765	1,344	59	13,272
6	7,283	5,072	1,184	1,970	506	16,015
7	5,113	4,204	1,195	1,217	231	11,960
Holiday						
Saturday						
Sunday						
11	4,804	4,427	853	841	209	11,134
12	6,043	5,080	1,570	2,139	348	15,180
13	6,709	4,554	1,476	1,773	192	14,704
14	5,925	4,653	1,378	2,059	286	14,301
15	8,055	6,230	1,094	1,262	163	16,804
Saturday						
Sunday						
18	9,591	7,636	1,655	3,336	161	22,379
19	6,823	4,857	925	1,151	127	13,883
20	5,647	4,364	848	1,447	265	12,571
21	6,685	8,368	1,421	2,251	469	19,194
22	5,140	5,813	1,168	2,213	260	14,594
Saturday						
Sunday						
25	3,504	4,362	976	1,507	166	10,515
26	6,526	6,116	942	1,413	226	15,223
27	6,340	6,270	704	1,686	670	15,670
28	5,777	5,287	684	882	205	12,835
29	4,332	5,903	719	1,031	208	12,193
Saturday						
Total						
Apr. 1955	125,205	106,083	22,179	32,771	5,271	291,509
Mar. 1955	202,962	121,578	30,210	34,753	2,832	1/450,217
Apr. 1954	143,331	227,630	89,927	90,436	29,285	580,609

1/Includes 57,882 March future.

Table 26. SOYBEANS:

Open contracts, Chicago Board of Trade
April 1955

Date	Future					All futures
	May	July	September	November	January	
1955	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
<u>April</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>	<u>bushels</u>
1	27,054	22,858	5,451	8,718	1,562	65,643
Saturday						
Sunday						
4	26,749	22,689	5,474	9,120	1,684	65,716
5	26,720	22,473	5,388	9,287	1,701	65,569
6	26,355	21,721	5,362	9,943	1,949	65,330
7	25,947	21,799	5,281	10,203	1,985	65,215
Holiday						
Saturday						
Sunday						
11	25,162	21,776	5,383	10,254	2,024	64,599
12	24,843	21,956	5,582	10,575	2,077	65,033
13	23,809	22,269	5,484	10,845	2,169	64,576
14	22,944	21,822	5,535	11,093	2,294	63,688
15	22,656	22,899	5,654	11,385	2,390	64,984
Saturday						
Sunday						
18	22,117	22,251	5,390	12,129	2,414	64,301
19	22,317	22,312	5,502	12,243	2,467	64,841
20	22,086	22,759	5,670	12,627	2,608	65,750
21	21,322	23,590	5,687	12,832	2,753	66,184
22	20,949	23,384	5,772	13,400	2,916	66,421
Saturday						
Sunday						
25	20,877	23,156	5,889	13,627	2,986	66,535
26	20,052	22,993	5,959	14,068	3,125	66,197
27	19,393	22,796	5,900	14,215	3,228	65,532
28	18,675	22,867	5,750	14,352	3,228	64,872
29	17,806	23,323	5,819	14,388	3,288	64,624
Saturday						

Table 27. SOYBEANS: High, low and closing prices, three principal futures, Chicago Board of Trade, April 1955

Date	1955 May future			1955 July future			1955 September future		
	:High	Low	Closing	:High	Low	Closing	:High	Low	Closing
1955									
April 1	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:Cents	Cents	Cents	:Cents	Cents	Cents
1	:251 1/2	249 1/2	249 3/4-50	:244 1/2	243 1/4	243 3/4-44	:237 3/4	236 3/4	237 3/4
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
4	:250 1/4	248 1/4	250-50 1/4	:245	242 1/2	244 3/4-45	:239	236 3/4	239
5	:251 3/4	250 1/4	251 1/4-3/4	:246	243 3/4	245-45 1/2	:239 1/2	237 3/4	238 1/2
6	:252 1/2	250 1/4	251 1/2-3/4	:245	242 3/4	243-43 1/4	:238 1/4	236 3/4	237
7	:252	250 3/4	251-51 1/4	:244	242 1/2	243 1/4-1/2	:236 3/4	235 3/4	236 1/4-1/2
Holiday	:			:			:		
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
11	:250 3/4	248 3/4	249 3/4-50	:242 1/2	240 3/4	241 1/4-1/2	:235 3/4	234 1/2	234 1/2
12	:249 1/2	247 1/4	249 1/4-1/2	:240 5/8	238 3/4	240 1/4-1/2	:232 3/4	230 1/4	231 1/2-3/4
13	:252 1/4	248 1/2	251 1/2-3/4	:242 1/2	240	242 1/4-1/2	:233 1/2	231	233-33 1/4
14	:252 3/4	249	249-49 1/4	:243 1/4	239 3/4	239 3/4-40	:233 3/4	231 1/4	231 1/4-1/2
15	:250 1/4	247 1/2	250-50 1/4	:239 3/4	238	239 1/2-3/4	:232	230 1/4	231 3/4-3/2
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
18	:255	251	254-54 1/4	:244	241	243 1/4-1/2	:235 3/4	232 1/2	234 1/2-3/4
19	:253 3/4	251 3/4	252 1/4-1/2	:243 1/2	241 3/4	243-43 1/4	:235	234 1/2	234 1/2
20	:253	251 1/2	252 3/4-53	:244 1/2	242 1/4	244 1/4-1/2	:235 1/4	233 3/4	235 1/4
21	:255 1/2	253	254 1/4-1/2	:247 1/4	244 1/4	246-46 1/4	:237 3/4	235	237-37 1/4
22	:254 1/4	252 1/2	253 1/2-54	:245 1/4	243 3/4	244 3/4-45 1/4	:236 3/4	235 1/2	236 1/2-3/4
Saturday	:			:			:		
Sunday	:			:			:		
25	:254 3/4	252	254 1/2-3/4	:245	243 1/2	244 1/4-1/2	:236 1/2	234 3/4	236 1/4-1/2
26	:255 1/2	251 3/4	251 3/4-52	:245 1/4	242 1/4	242 1/2-3/4	:237	234 3/4	235 1/4
27	:252	249 1/2	250-50 1/4	:242 5/8	240	241 1/4-1/2	:234 3/4	233 1/4	234-34 1/4
28	:250	248 5/8	249 1/2-3/4	:241 1/4	240 1/4	240 1/2-3/4	:234	233 1/2	233 1/2
29	:251 1/4	248 1/2	249 1/2-3/4	:241 3/4	239 1/2	241	:234 3/4	233	234 1/4-1/2
Saturday	:			:			:		

Table 28. 1955 MARCH FUTURE: Deliveries of grain on all contract markets

Commodity and Market	Initial Deliveries	Redeliveries	Total Deliveries	Notices Passed
<u>WHEAT</u>	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels
Chicago Board of Trade	1,200	575	1,775	20
Chicago Open Board	---	---	---	---
Kansas City	100	32	132	5
Minneapolis	---	---	---	---
Seattle	---	---	---	---
Milwaukee	---	---	---	---
Total, all markets	1,300	607	1,907	25
<u>CORN</u>				
Chicago Board of Trade	1,494	3,400	4,894	1,280
Chicago Open Board	---	---	---	---
Kansas City	---	---	---	---
Milwaukee	---	---	---	---
Minneapolis	---	---	---	---
Total, all markets	1,494	3,400	4,894	1,280
<u>OATS</u>				
Chicago Board of Trade	465	780	1,245	140
Chicago Open Board	---	---	---	---
Minneapolis	---	---	---	---
Milwaukee	---	---	---	---
Kansas City	---	---	---	---
Total, all markets	465	780	1,245	140
<u>RYE</u>				
Chicago Board of Trade	505	1,406	1,911	720
Chicago Open Board	---	---	---	---
Minneapolis	---	---	---	---
Milwaukee	---	---	---	---
Total, all markets	505	1,406	1,911	720
<u>SOYBEANS</u>				
Chicago Board of Trade	1,154	1,752	2,906	744
Chicago Open Board	---	---	---	---
Minneapolis	---	---	---	---
Memphis	---	---	---	---
Total, all markets	1,154	1,752	2,906	744

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• *Chlorophyll a* (Chl a) is the primary photosynthetic pigment in all photosynthetic organisms. It is a green pigment that absorbs light energy in the blue and red regions of the visible spectrum. Chl a is found in the thylakoid membranes of chloroplasts in plants and algae, and in the plasma membrane of cyanobacteria.

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